THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

W.P.No.1219 of 2006

Date:27.01.2006

T.Srinu and others.

----------Petitioner

The Regional Manager and others.

----------Respondents

ORDER:

The respondent issued a Notification, dated 13.02.2005, inviting applications for the purpose of selection of candidates as Drivers. There existed about 550 vacancies. The petitioners and several others submitted their applications together with their driving licences. The grievance of the petitioners is that their cases are not being considered, on the ground that they are non-locals vis-à-vis Bhagyanagaram Region.

The Writ Petition came up for admission on 25.01.2006. The learned Standing Counsel for the respondent was granted time till today to obtain instructions. Today, it is represented that the respondent received about 8000 applications and with a view to short list them, it has been decided to invite only such candidates, who have experience of five years as Drivers, and in the process, 3000 candidates were issued call letters. It is also submitted that no discrimination is shown between local and non-local candidates.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Standing Counsel for the respondent.

The petitioners apprehend that their cases are not being considered, on the ground that they are non-local candidates of the Bhagyanagar region. However,

from the submissions made on behalf of the respondent, it is evident that the non-issuance of call letters to the petitioners is on account of the short listing process. It is stated that only such of the candidates, who have experience of five years as Drivers, were issued call letters. The learned counsel for the petitioners states that some of the petitioners have experience of more than five years.

Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case, the Writ Petition is disposed of, directing that in case any candidates, with less experience as Drivers than any of the petitioners, were issued call letters, the cases of the petitioners shall also be considered, in accordance with the relevant rules. There shall be no order as to costs.

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27.01.2006

Note: Issue C.C. tomorrow.

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